UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

| RAYMOND L. HINTON, |) | |
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| Petitioner, |) | |
| VS. |) | Case No. 4:12CV01189 SNLJ |
| JEFF NORMAN, |) | |
| Respondent. |) | |

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before me on the petition for writ of habeas corpus filed by Petitioner Raymond L. Hinton. I referred this matter to United States Magistrate Judge Abbie Crites-Leoni, for a report and recommendation on all dispositive matters pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b). On May 26, 2015, Judge Crites-Leoni filed her recommendation that Hinton's habeas petition should be dismissed.

No objections to Judge Crites-Leoni's Report and Recommendation were filed.

After careful consideration, I will adopt and sustain the thorough reasoning of Judge

Crites-Leoni and deny Hinton's habeas petition for the reasons stated in the Report and

Recommendation dated May 26, 2015.

I have also considered whether to issue a certificate of appealability. To grant a certificate of appealability, the Court must find a substantial showing of the denial of a federal constitutional right. *See Tiedeman v. Benson*, 122 F.3d 518, 522 (8th Cir. 1997). A substantial showing is a showing that issues are debatable among reasonable jurists, a Court could resolve the issues differently, or the issues deserve further proceedings. *Cox*

v. Norris, 133 F.3d 565, 569 (8th Cir. 1997) (citing Flieger v. Delo, 16 F.3d 878, 882-83 (8th Cir. 1994)). Because Hinton has not made such a showing in this case, I will not issue a certificate of appealability.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Judge Crites-Leoni's Report and Recommendation, #18, filed May 26, 2015 is adopted and sustained in its entirety.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Petitioner's Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus, #1, is **DENIED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court will not issue a certificate of appealability. A separate Judgment in accordance with this Memorandum and Order is entered this same date.

Dated this 15th day of June, 2015.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE